**NURSE PRACTITIONER ALLIED HEALTH GUIDE**

"Allied health encompasses a broad group of health professionals who use scientific principles and evidence-based practice for the diagnosis, evaluation and treatment of acute and chronic diseases; promote disease prevention and wellness for optimum health, and apply administration and management skills to support health care systems in a variety of settings."  
Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions (ASAHP, 2021)

**WHAT IS A NURSE PRACTITIONER?**

Nurse Practitioners (commonly shortened to NPs) are healthcare professionals who have previous experience as a registered nurse, and who additionally have an advanced practical nursing license in order to conduct many of the healthcare services that physicians do. NPs have the ability to autonomously diagnose illnesses, prescribe medication, conduct patient exams, and treat patients. They can work with patients across all age groups and can choose an area of specialty such as family, psychiatry, anesthesiology, gerontology, and more.

**ADVANCED DEGREES**

- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) with focus on Nursing Practice (NP)
- Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)
- PhD in Nursing Practice

**UNDERGRADUATE PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK***

- Biology I & II with Lab
- Chemistry I & II with Lab
- Organic Chemistry I & II with Lab
- Anatomy with Lab
- Physiology with Lab
- Microbiology with Lab
- Nutrition
- Human Lifespan Development
- Statistics
- Psychology

*This list covers the most frequently required prerequisites. Please see individual program websites for exact requirement information.

**ADVANCED DEGREE REQUIREMENTS***

- Registered Nurse (RN) Certification
- GRE Test Scores
- Letters of Recommendation (Academic, Professional, NP)
- Documented clinical experience hours

*This is a list of the most frequently required admissions requirements. Please see individual program websites for exact requirement information.

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- American Association of Nurse Practitioners
- Nurse.org Career Guide
- Allied Health Professional Associations for Students

**ONEHOP ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS ALUMNI GROUP**

Join the OneHop Allied Health Professions Alumni Group where current students interested in allied health can connect with alumni allied health professionals:

- Join OneHop using your jhu.edu email address
- Complete your profile
- Search "Allied Health" in Groups to join the conversation!

**GET CURIOUS**

**TALK TO PEOPLE**

**SHOW YOUR WORK**

**TAKE ACTION**

**POTENTIAL WORKPLACE SETTINGS TO EXPLORE**

- Hospitals
- Schools
- Outpatient clinics
- Private practice
- Acute care facilities
- Industrial environments
- Rehabilitation clinics
- Community settings
- Mental health facilities
- Homes

Explore Allied Health Professions